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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
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PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. 5725-0903-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Shinichi YAMADA et al.

Application No.: 09/857,495

Filed: June 28, 2001

For: COSMETIC COMPOSITION
COMPRISING AT LEAST A CATION,
A LIQUID FATTY ALCOHOL AND AT
LEAST A CERAMIDE TYPE
COMPOUND AND METHOD USING
SAME

Group Art Unit: 1617

Examiner: G. Yu

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In reply to the final Office Action mailed April 9, 2003, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in this Request for Reconsideration.

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